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Application Number : 10/532,834 Confirmation No.: 8870
Applicants : Jonathan Michael **BLACKBURN**, *et al.*
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Examiner : Marsha M. **TSAY**
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For : **NEW USES OF PROTEINS ENCODED BY BLE GENES
AND ANTIBIOTICS FROM THE BLEOMYCIN FAMILY**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
DATED NOVEMBER 24, 2008**

In response to the final Office Action mailed on November 24, 2008 in the above-identified case, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of this Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.116. Also submitted herewith is a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) for a small entity. With the extension, a Response is due on or before May 26, 2009 (May 24, 2009 being a Sunday and May 25, 2009 being a Federal Holiday).

A **Request for Continued Examination** under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 and the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) of \$405.00 for a small entity accompanies this Response.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.